Statement

Details of WLL equipment to be installed in Vidarbha region

SSA	SDCA	Capacity	Type
Nagpur	Nagpur City	5000 lines	Urban WLL
	Bhiwapur	750 lines	Rural WLL
	Kuhi	750 lines	
	Butibori	750 lines	
	Hingna	750 lines	
	Mauda	750 lines	
	Narkhed	750 lines	
	Umred	750 lines	
Akola	Akola	750 lines	
	Akot	750 lines	
	Mangrulpur	750 lines	
	Murtizapur	750 lines	
	Risod	750 lines	
	Washim	750 lines	
Amravati	Amravati	750 lines	
	Daryapur	750 lines	

SSA — Secondary Switching Area.

SDCA — Short Distance Charging Area.

WLL — Wireless in Local Loop.

Mobile Services in Ranchi

†1954. SHRI GHANSHYAM CHANDRA KHARWAR: Will the Minister COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that BSNL and other companies have not been able to provide mobile services in the backward areas of Dakra (Ranchi) so far;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the justification for not launching mobile services;

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(c) whether it is also a fact that mobile services are in operation at some distance from Dakra while it does not work there in the absence of a tower; and

(d) by when, mobiles would start operating in the said area?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI ASHOK PRADHAN): (a) to (d) Sir, for the purpose of providing Cellular Mobile Telephone Service (CMTS), Jharkhand is a part of Bihar Telecom Circle Service Area. M/s Reliance Telecom (P) Limited and Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) have been granted licences to provide Cellular Mobile Telephone Services (CMTS) in Bihar Telecome Circle Service Area.

As per the terms and conditions of the licence for CMTS, an operator for Telecom Circle Service Area is required to cover 10% of District Headquarters in the Service Area within one year and 50% of District Headquarters within three years. The licensee is also permitted to cover any other town in a district in lieu of the District Headquarter, the choice of District Headquarters/towns to be covered and further expansion beyond 50% District Headquarters/towns shall lie with the licensee depending on their business decision. It is not mandatory under the CMTS Licence Agreement to cover 100% of the Service Area.

As intimated by the above mentioned licensees, Dakra is yet to be covered with CMTS. The nearest CMTS Base Transmitter Station to Dakra is of BSNL at Mandar, 40 kilometers away from Dakra. Coverage of Dakra depends upon the business/commercial decision of the said licensees. However, BSNL is presently providing CMTS in 24 cities/towns of Jharkhand which includes all the District Headquarters and has plans to cover Dakra with CMTS during the current financial year.

Shortage of manpower in Parliament House Post Office

†1955. PROF. ALKA BALRAM KSHATRIYA:

DR. PRABHA THAKUR:

SHRI BALKAVI BAIRAGI:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that due to excess work and fewer number of

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